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AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A scaffold ladder, comprising a vertical

support provided with rungs, and with protruding parts or a plurality of hook

elements extending generally perpendicular relative to a vertical axis of the vertical

support, the hook elements arranged to co-operate with erected scaffold elements;

wherein each of the hook elements is provided with a downward directed

pen arranged to co-operate with a hole of a flange provided on a vertical scaffold

element.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 1,

further comprising V-shaped brackets provided at a regular distance from one

another on the <u>vertical</u> support and upon which the rungs span the far ends thereof.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 4-1,

wherein the pens of the hook elements have different lengths.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 31,

wherein the downward directed pen of each hook element has a or pens is, are

wedge-shaped respectively profile.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 3_1,

wherein the hook elements are provided on the <u>vertical</u> support.

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Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 3,

wherein the second hook element at least one of the hook elements defines a groove

having a width generally larger than the thickness of the flange of the vertical

scaffold element.

Claim 9 (Canceled)

Claim 10 (Canceled)

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The scaffold ladder according to claim 1,

wherein the protruding part or a first one of the hook element elements is situated at

the bottom near or at a first end portion of the vertical support, and in that another

protruding part or hook element is situated at the top of the support a second one of

the hook elements is situated near or at a second end portion of the vertical support.

Claim 12 (New): The scaffold ladder according to claim 2, wherein each of

the hook elements extends from the vertical support opposite a corresponding one of

the rungs.

Claim 13 (New): A scaffold ladder system, comprising:

at least one vertical scaffold element having a plurality of flanges each

defining at least one hole; and

a vertical support provided with a plurality of rungs, and a plurality of hook

elements arranged to co-operate with the at least one vertical scaffold element;

wherein each of the hook elements is provided with a downward directed

pen arranged to co-operate with the at least one hole of the flanges of the vertical

scaffold element.

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Claim 14 (New): The scaffold ladder system according to claim 13, wherein

at least one of the hook elements defines a groove having a width generally larger

than the width of the at least one hole of the flanges.

Claim 15 (New): The scaffold ladder system according to claim 14, wherein

at least one of the hook elements defines a vertical wedge-shaped passage having a

cross dimension generally equal to the cross dimension of the at least one hole of the

flanges.

Claim 16 (New): The scaffold ladder system according to claim 15, wherein

the downward directed pen of the hook elements defines a wedge-shaped profile

arranged to be received by the at least one hole of the flanges.

Claim 17 (New): The scaffold ladder system according to claim 13, wherein

a first one of the hook elements is situated near or at a first end portion of the

vertical support, and a second one of the hook elements is situated near or at a

second end portion of the vertical support.

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